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Mr. Ron Curry  
Region 6 Administrator  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200  
Dallas, Texas 75202

**Re: San Jacinto River Waste Pits**

Dear Mr. Curry,

I, Dea Ann Joerg, strongly urge the EPA to fully remediate the San Jacinto River Waste Pits. The deficiency found in the Pits' containment structure this past December is of great concern to our communities. We have suffered greatly from the San Jacinto River Waste Pits and continue to fear exposure to the Site's highly toxic waste. It is extremely unsettling to know that the recently discovered containment deficiencies existed for an unknown amount of time and to know that toxic waste was exposed to the environment.

Given these circumstances, the containment structure has failed to meet the Time Critical Removal Action Objectives. Due to this, I ask that the Environmental Protection Agency place a higher sense of urgency on determining a permanent solution for the San Jacinto River Waste Pits Superfund Site.

Additionally, I ask that the Environmental Protection Agency require the Responsible Parties to test all groundwater wells within a 1-mile radius of the Site for the Pits' Contaminants of Concern. This ask is not unreasonable and not unheard of in the Superfund process. Further testing is critical to the future health of our communities.

I appreciate your help in this process and you taking the time to consider this letter. I look forward to guaranteed protection of human health and the environment by full removal of the Waste Pits.

Sincerely,

Dea Ann Joerg

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